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With reguard to the present objection, protection of the GMRS radio service, at present several Manufactures are selling and marketing Mixed Services, radio on UHF involving Business Band (IB), GMRS, and Family Radio Channels.

The "Commission" is aware of the poor markiting pratices of WALLMART, K Mart of selling the general public, as they GMRS radios are packaged and sold as "GMRS" radio with "Family Radio Channels". this mixing has let the [Horse] out of the barn of sorts. Few people who purchass this over the market GMRS radios are taking the time to apply for a GMRS license from my observations. Un-identified stations [Without FCC Call Signs] are appearing on IB part 90 frequencys, and GMRS each day. One Manufacture catalog I received listed a IB radio that would do GMRS and Family Radio.

A few years back I opposed RM-10019 to make a Channel 9 calling frequency, because the Manufacturs of the FRS radio in the market place had "Tone Blocked" SQUELCH systems, that did not require a monitor period before they could trasmitt. This made it a "Talk over Existing Communications" FCC violation common for most FRS radios. Making the change to a Emergency Channel unworkable with the [old] FRS radios.

There is a need to RE-FORMAT the FRS so that a True Emergency Channel in the future used, with the Technical problems resolved before inport or manufacture should take place. The best way is to add a few new channels, increase power, make shure if there is a estbalished "Emergency" Channel it will work well.

I have noticed that there are some other country's with the same Family Radio that exist today with 69 Channels. In a rual country where the population is not so dense, they have 69 Channels and in the United States we have 14 FRS Channels. It will not be to long that the other countrys FRS radios start showing up in this country with the 69 Channels. This will be just like the Illegal Export CB radios with 400 illegal channels.

The band plans for other country FRS type of radios is not same from country to country. The Illegal 69 Channel expected to show up will pop up on "Ham" [Amateur], and Part 90 frequencys!

The commission need to take a serious look a future band plan for realy "super low power" as well as "present" FRS power limits for communications.

There are about only 102 real low power channels on the UHF band that are under part 90, because the fcc restructured this some time ago! There is a present plan world wide to "Split the Channels" that use FM to Very Narrow FM. The New FRS-II radios I suggest should make use of less bandwith! The number of channels should also be limited by the research from the commission, and the general public [Radio Community] users! I don't suggest that

every channel of the 102 be mandated to FRS that are open in the IB Pool today.

The need to make the FRS radio "Monitor" the channel before they trasmitt must be put into the CPU of the radio. Push the Monitor buton before TX, and the SQ must disable! Off Hook monitoring while communications on FRS is taking place. The CPU could also be programed to rever to tone squelch after a period of time, or manual reset.

FRS is replacing the 11 Meter Citizen Band because the general public wants radios with "Tone Squelch" to not hear un-wanted calls. A lot of Truckdrivers today use FRS radio at truck stops to communicate with other parked and moving vehicles the "Short Range" The Citizen Band is 40 Channels Legal and more than 400 Illegal Export Channels in use in North America This fact of life, that If the CB'ers will buy a Illegal 400 channel CB, he will buy a Illegal IB that is marketed for GMRS / FRS / IB Part 90 also for short range needs! The IB user needs protection in a band plan for the 102 low poer channels from the Illegal Programable FAKE FRS / GMRS radios marketed today. The FRS user need to be expeanded for the public needs in the future as FRS is replaing 11 meter CB for ultra short range personal communications. The "Commission" should make provision in a Rule Making for future FRS / GMRS frequencys.

If some [Back Water] or [Third World] nation can have 69 FRS channels Type radio for there general public then what has the "Commission" did in future planing of public need's!

A true balance between the IB & the FRS / GMRS is need! The selling or mareting of Illegal Systems, that will be used by the general public, and never licensed could be reduced or stopped!

There is no "Spell Check" on this computer, I would hope you can make out the general request.

Thanks,

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